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LI et al.

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Notice of Appeal From the Examiner to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences – Large Entity

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the final decision of the Examiner dated September 6, 2006, in which claims 1, 3-10, 13 and 25-50 were finally or twice rejected.

The fee (for a large entity) for filing a Notice of Appeal from the Examiner to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences (37 C.F.R. § 41.20(b)(1)), along with any necessary extension fees (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)), is provided in the attached PTO-2038 Credit Card Payment Form. In the event that extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those otherwise provided for herewith are required to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

03/07/2007 HMARZI1 00000049 09720086 02 FC:1401 500.00 0P The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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